

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on November 28, 2006, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman
Brad Molnar, Vice Chairman
Doug Mood, Commissioner
Thomas J. Schneider, Commissioner

Commissioner Raney was absent. Chairman Raney left his proxy with Commissioner Jergeson.

APPEARANCE

Gary Duncan, Utility Division

(365) In the matter of N2006.11.162 -Qwest Corporation. On November 10, 2006 Qwest Corporation (Qwest) filed for Commission approval a Multi-State Agreement (MSA) between Qwest and Wells Fargo Bank.

Commissioner Schneider moved to approve the Multi-State Agreement between Qwest and Wells Fargo Bank in Docket N2006.11.162. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(366) In the matter of N2006.11.161-Qwest Corporation. On November 8, 2006 Qwest Corporation filed for Commission approval a Multi-State Agreement (MSA) between Qwest and W.W. Grainger.

Commissioner Mood moved to approve the Multi-State Agreement (MSA) between Qwest Corporation and W.W. Grainger in Docket N2006.11.161. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Scott Fabel, Utility Division

(367) In the matter of N2006.11.163-Qwest Corporation filed tariff transmittal 06-18, Move 800 Serviceline Option to the Obsolete Section.

Commissioner Mood moved to approve Qwest Tariff Transmittal 06-18 in Docket N2006.11.163. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(368) In the matter of N2006.11.167-Citizens Telecommunications. On November 9, 2006, Citizens filed Advice Letter No. MT-06-11. The purpose of this filing is to include limitation language within its Customized Local Area Signaling Service Product offering.

Commissioner Mood moved to approve Citizens Advice Letter No. MT-06-11 in Docket N2006.11.167. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Eric Eck, Utility Division

(369) In the matter of D2006.11.165-MDU Resource Group, Inc. On November 13, 2006, MDU Resources Group, Inc. applied for authority to issue over a two-year period \$150,000,000 of short term financing in the form of unsecured promissory notes and/or commercial paper.

Commissioner Molnar moved to approve MDU Resources Group, Inc.'s request for authority to issue up to \$150,000,000 of short term financing. Commissioner Jergeson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(370) In the matter of Commission Minutes for the week of November 20, 2006.

Commissioner Mood moved to approve the minutes for the week of November 20, 2006. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Gary Duncan, Utility Division
Robin McHugh, Administrator
Legal Division

(371) In the matter of D2006.3.39-Qwest Corporation. Qwest's motion for an extension of time to file certain information with the Commission as ordered in PSC Order No. 6736d.

Commissioner Schneider moved to approve Qwest's Motion for Extension in Docket D2006.3.39 and also include an extension of 2 working days for the reply briefs. Commissioner Molnar seconded, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Mike Lee, Utility Division
Will Rosquist, Utility Division

(372) In the matter of D2003.7.86, D2004.6.96 and D2005.6.103-Northwestern Energy Consolidated QF dockets.

Commissioner Molnar moved that QF's will meter and they will be paid exactly their purchase rate of what they produce and when they produce it. Motion died for lack of a second.

APPEARANCE

Kate Whitney, Administrator
Utility Division

(373) In the matter of PSC goals. Update PSC goals for posting on website and sending to budget office.

Commissioner Jergeson moved to adopt the PSC goals to one page, replacing the multi-page document that existed including the bullet that Kate indicated. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(374) Out of state travel for staff. Eric Dahlgren's travel to Oklahoma City January 9-12 for required pipeline safety class "Liquefied Natural Gas Safety Technology.

Commissioner Mood moved to approve Eric's travel to Oklahoma City. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

GREG JERGSON, Chairman

BRAD MOLNAR, Vice Chairman

DOUG MOOD, Commissioner

ROBERT H. RANEY, Commissioner

THOMAS J. SCHNEIDER, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Connie Jones
Commission Secretary